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Harrison named warden

*Longtime Stanhope politician
uncontested in bid for
Haliburton County's top job*

by Jerry Grozelle

Algonquin Highlands reeve Eleanor Harrison will serve as warden of Haliburton County for the next year. Harrison was elected to the position, uncontested, at the inaugural meeting on December 10 at the county office.

A group of local politicians, family, friends and community leaders attended the ceremony to wish the new warden well in her term of office.

Outgoing warden and reeve of Dysart et al Murray Fearrey nominated Harrison and the nomination was seconded by Harrison's deputy-reeve Don Shortreed.

She thanked her two colleagues for their confidence in nominating her and acknowledged the importance of Shortreed's support.

"Without Don's support, it would be difficult to even consider the position of warden," Harrison said. "I would also like to thank the remainder of county council for allowing me the privilege of serving as your warden for the year 2002."

Harrison noted that 2001 has been her 10th year as a county councillor. "I am hopeful the knowledge and experience gained in those 10 years will enable me to perform the warden duties and make me an excellent ambassador for Haliburton County," she said. "I know the position requires a great

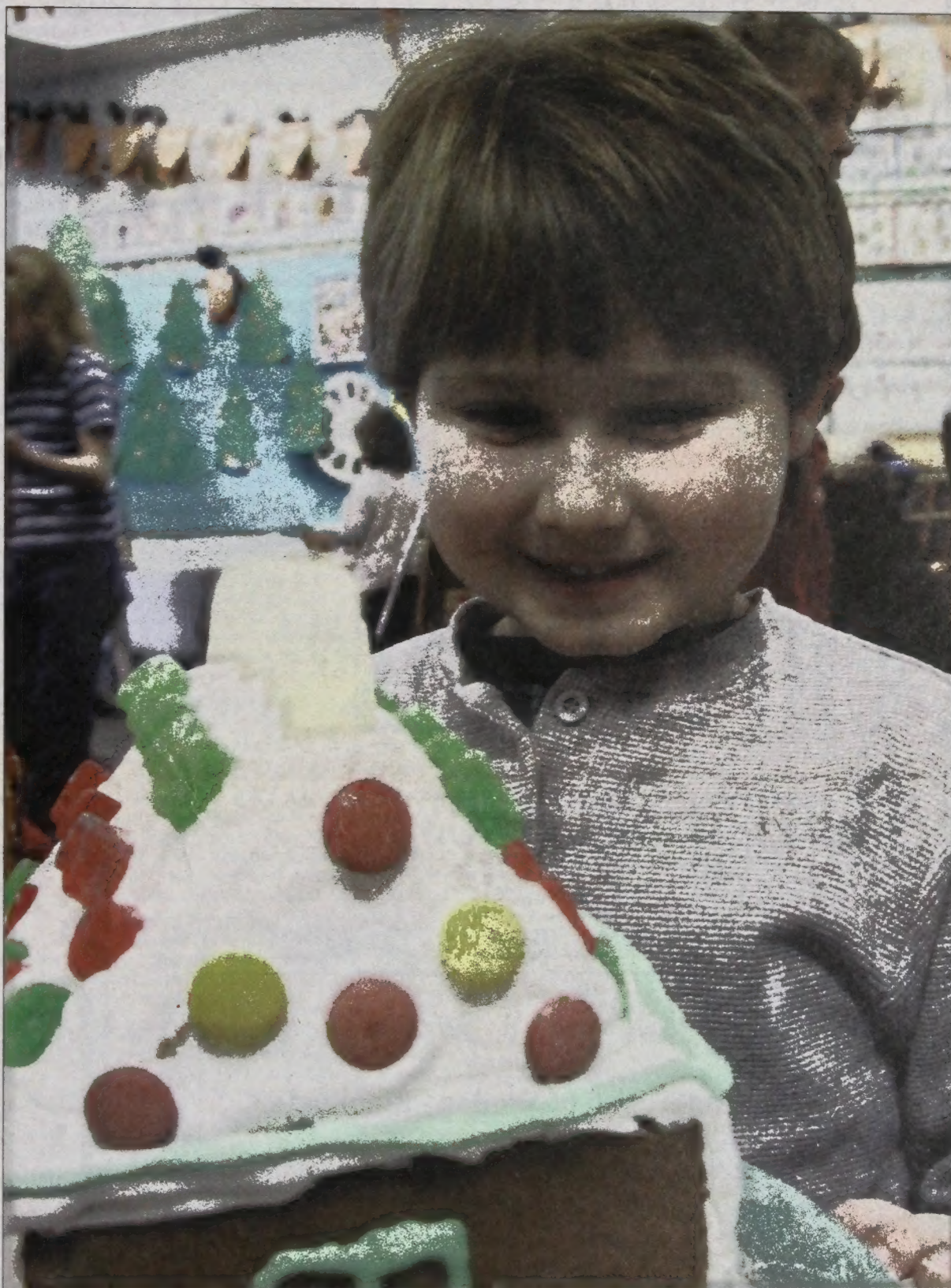
deal of time and energy and with the encouragement I have received from my family and, in particular, my husband, I am prepared to donate as much time as the position requires."

Harrison said warden Fearrey, with the assistance of county council members, set up a three-year course to follow at the beginning of 2001. "It is my intention to keep us on course," she said. "The 9-1-1 project is extremely important to all of us and we must assure our constituents that we will continue this valuable project and, hopefully, meet all our many deadlines."

The new warden said it has come to light over the past few months that several of the county's non-profit agencies are having some financial difficulties and are looking for the county to provide some assistance.

"Many hundreds of volunteers give many hundreds of hours of their time each year to help to make our community, the community of Haliburton County, a great place to live, work and play and it is these many volunteers who make up the non-profit agencies. They indicate they need assistance from Haliburton County to survive. However, in my opinion, Haliburton County needs these agencies and those many volunteers in order to survive."

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ALLISON TAYLOR/Times

YUM!

Kindergarten students at Archie Stouffer Elementary School have been working on a sweet project leading up to the Christmas holidays. Families were invited to help their youngsters build gingerbread houses and Grade 6 Kinderbuddies were more than happy to help the kids in Toss Reid's class.

*Road salt
alternative
good
for what
ale's ya!*

by Allison Taylor

Ever heard of using beer to de-ice the roads? It could be happening on a highway near you in the future.

The Algonquin Highlands Public Works Department has taken the initiative to do a little research of its own — no, they're not taste-testing the hops and barley. The department is investigating the use of a by-product of the popular bar beverage as an environmentally friendly alternative to salt, in the battle against miserable winter ice.

This product is currently being used in Grey County, the snow-belt region of Georgian Bay.

Public Works Superintendent, Brian Whetstone told the members of the Algonquin Highlands council at the meeting on December 6, that his department has been experimenting with a product known by the trade

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Beer gets new job opportunity from public works department

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name Magic-O to clear the township's icy roads in the winter.

The de-icer is derived from a waste product from the brewing industry combined with magnesium chloride.

The investigation is only in the early stages and has only been used once or twice, Whetstone said.

He told the Township council about the new use for beer and said he was keeping his ears open for the various other materials being used to replace salt. Whetstone said that he wasn't totally convinced yet on the effectiveness of these products.

"It does work," Whetstone

said of the new use for the beer by-product. "But it leaves a slimy residue on the road."

Whetstone said his department tried the product with a mixture composed of mostly salt and the Magic-O, and wasn't overly impressed.

It is also a little more expensive than salt, he said, noting that the municipality historically hasn't used a lot

of salt on its roads in the winter months.

"But this will be an issue that every municipality will have to address, I'm sure," Whetstone said.

"With the right concentration of salt, there are no lumps left on the road. It is efficient and environmentally friendly, which is a bonus."

Councillor Kerry Lock

was concerned with the slimy residue the salt substitute left on the roads.

"Pardon the expression," Whetstone said. "It kinda looks like snot."

Whetstone told council there would be several new products coming out in the next few months and that he would keep the municipal officials informed as he learned about them himself.

Introducing the new and improved Dorset tower

by Allison Taylor

The Dorset Lookout Tower is reaping the rewards of having a keen organizer at the helm.

In a presentation to council, co-ordinator Barb Kostenuck said things were looking good for next year.

With sales up in the gift shop, less stock carried over from last year and cars passing through the gate at a steady pace, the tower is very close to breaking even this year, Kostenuck told council.

"You were assigned to see if (the

Tower) could improve," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison. "It certainly has improved."

Under different management last year, the tower had a deficit of nearly \$30,000.

"In one year, you've done a big job," said Clerk-Administrator Gerald Bain.

With a few minor changes, like additional cleaning of the washroom facilities, an overhead fan, a heater, some strong controls for the critters and some extra community policing during the busy weekends, Kostenuck is looking forward to having good results next year as well.

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Algonquin Highlands reeve faces new challenges as county warden



Outgoing warden Murray Fearrey congratulates Eleanor Harrison on her new job.

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She said the county must face this challenge head-on. "While we know we are unable to provide monies for each and every organization, we must try to be the facilitator and, hopefully, come up with a strategy that will enable all parties to remain viable. It is my intent, with the assistance of all county councillors, to meet this challenge.

"There will be many new and different challenges in 2002, as there is every year," she said. "I have already been accused of

bringing Algonquin Highlands problems to the county table to be resolved. It sounded like a good idea at the time. Most of the problems we toss back and forth are to do with the environment - waste disposal, septage lagoons and others. I found the forum at Algonquin Highlands was very enlightening. We probably don't have a waste disposal site in the county with a life span of more than 20 years. Twenty years is not a very long time."

She acknowledged that the county can not deal with all the problems she feels are important, but she

says the county needs to send a clear message to all the lower tier municipalities. "We need to make decisions on where we are going and make sure we let the lower municipalities know what we will do and what we will not do," she said.

"Our environment is very important to the well being of our community and must be preserved in order that Haliburton County can remain a prime destination area

for our tourists and, hopefully, a prime destination area for future economic development."

She said that Fearrey brought some ideas to the table in the past year and she feels strongly that county council must continue to pursue new and innovative ideas to deal with waste problems.

"It will not make much difference which level of government deals with the waste management issues," she said. "They are not going to be solved easily."

Harrison noted that it was county council's decision to amalgamate into four municipalities and keep the tier system of local government, citing the often heard phrase "masters of our own destiny." "I supported that decision and I still do," she said. "However, in my opinion, I think it has never been clearly identified which tier is responsible for what."

She suggested that, too often, one level of government waits to see what the other will do and nothing gets accomplished. "Waste management has come to the county table many

times over the past 10 years - nothing has been resolved."

She suggested clear messages defining responsibilities must be articulated so the waste management issues can be addressed.

In closing, Harrison said, "I promise to dedicate the year 2002 to the County of Haliburton and I know, with the support of county council, we will continue to move forward."

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by Allison Taylor

The following are briefs from the Dec. 6 meeting Algonquin Highlands Township council.

Council has decided to lease the Dorset school after inspecting the building recently.

"The roof is in excellent condition," said Deputy-Reeve Don Shortreed. After a close inspection of the roof, he told council it would have to be cleaned regularly to make sure the water from the eaves drought is diverted off the tile bed. Shortreed and a member of his family cleaned the school's roof last weekend in preparation for the winter.

With a few minor changes to the lease, council agreed to take over the responsibility of the school for a two-year period.

"We should try to rent it out as soon as possible to cover our costs," said Councillor Tom Gardner.

Shortreed said they should start the heat moving in the building to make sure it stays healthy.

"It is a concern that the house would deteriorate if left alone for two years," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

Briefs from Algonquin Highlands council

Township will rent Dorset school building

We have a two-year period to turn the building over to a committee and look at how to best utilize it as a municipality, Harrison said. "If we haven't decided in that time, then obviously we don't need it."

Clerk-Administrator Gerald Bain was not certain if the lease would start on January 1, 2002.

Council reserved the right to approve the final draft of the lease after a few revisions were made to the document.

Duck Bay Road

It seems that some residents along Duck Bay Road are ready for the Township to assume responsibility of their road.

Carl and Rhoda Woodward wrote what they deemed a "formal request" to Algonquin Highlands council, asking it to consider taking over and maintaining the road

marked to Fletcher Bay of Kawagama Lake.

In the letter, they said the road was an access road that runs for approximately five kilometres, terminating at their cottage.

"The road is considered a public road maintained by private funds," the Woodward's wrote.

To the best of their knowledge, the road is not used during the winter months, other than for the snowmobilers who use a portion of the road.

They said the road serves 40 cottages.

But council is not ready to assume responsibility for the road just yet.

"I'm concerned that they are ticked off at the taxes," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison. "And they might be thinking 'we are paying more taxes so you (coun-

cil) take over the road.'"

Deputy-Reeve Don Shortreed suggested council take a look at the road before making any commitments to ownership.

We need to think of snow clearing costs and the possibility of school bus access, he said.

Councillor Kerry Lock said council shouldn't commit itself just yet.

Shortreed and Public Works Superintendent Brian Whetstone plan on looking at the road this week.

Radio options

In a short presentation to council, Point to Point Communications discussed its inventory review of current radio communications at Dorset, Oxtongue and Stanhope fire stations.

"We will be able to utilize most

of your field hardware with minor modifications," said Sam Lowry from Point to Point Communications in a letter to the Township. He was also on hand to answer questions from council members.

The system is designed around one dispatch point, the Huntsville Hospital, he said.

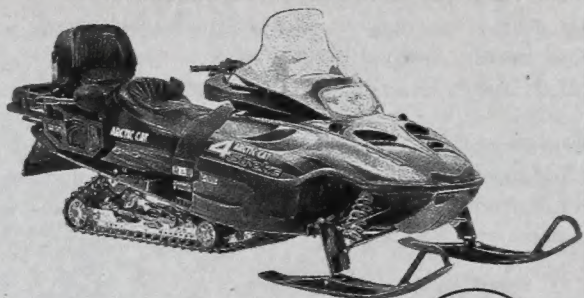
With a quotation broken into three stages, the council was left with the option of completing each phase independently, or all at once if it so chooses.

Council members told Lowry and his associates they would contact him in the New Year after having adequate time to review and discuss the issues with each other.

"This council has to sit down and make sure this is what we need," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison. "We need some time as a council to decide how to move forward."

The communications company requires authorization from the council before it can co-ordinate a radio frequency with Industry Canada. Lowry said it could take anywhere from one to four months for Industry Canada to assign a frequency.

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County hires new tree by-law officer

by MARTHA PERKINS

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Wednesday's county council meeting.

The county has hired Torben Michalsen of Whitney as its new tree by-law enforcement officer.

There were 38 applicants for the job, which became vacant after Doug Thain accepted a job with the Ministry of Natural Resources a few months ago.

County CAO Gary King says Michalsen is well qualified for the job. He has a degree in forestry and silviculture, has worked in logging and for Algonquin Park.

It is hoped Michaelson will start in the new year.

Roads

Cost over-runs on McGillivray Road in the east have had a ripple effect throughout the rest of the county.

Knowing that the reconstruction work was costing more than expected – the department spent 155% of the budgeted amount for the road – the county roads department pulled back on other projects, particularly Elephant Lake Road and West Kushog Lake.

The less money that was spent on construction, the less money that was spent on maintenance.

As a result, the roads department will end the year with a healthy surplus – \$88,000 in the construction budget and \$26,000 in the maintenance budget (as of December 6).

A lack of snow so far this winter has helped to keep maintenance costs down. The county has spent \$75,000 less on this year compared to the same time period (September to December 31) last year.

As well, a twin box culvert near Pivot Lake was delayed because of new Ministry of Environment guidelines.

"They're cracking down," operations manager Doug Ray. Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey got an affirmative response when he said "it's safe to assume that the two roads where money was taken away from this year will be prioritized next year."

Ray says work on the West Kushog Lake Road was delayed for a year once the design estimates came in at \$50,000 a kilometre.

Eleanor Harrison, the reeve of Algonquin Highlands who was chosen as warden the night before, smiled and said "I don't run for warden to get Kushog Lake Road finished,

but now that I'm here..."

Rail corridor

Although the county's roads department has already spent \$6,000 more than budgeted for on the rail trail, it will have to spend an additional \$18,000 to do work that the department and councillors feel is imperative.

This year the county budgeted \$15,000 for the 33-kilometre trail that link Haliburton village with Kinmount.

So far, \$21,000 has been spent.

Councillors agreed to spend an additional \$6,000 to improve site lines at Howland Junction. The request came from the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association for safety reasons.

As well, the roads department was given permission to go ahead with fixing two flooded areas and a deep wash out.

"It just goes to show we haven't been putting enough money into the trail," Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey said.

"There's 33 kilometres of track and we've only been going to the big problem areas. We haven't been doing anything preventative," said Doug Ray.

Last year the budget the \$20,000 and the year before it was \$7,500.

Meanwhile, councillors did not make a decision about what to do about the type of decking that should cover the 300' trestle bridge.

The HCSA, which has been granted use in the winter, needs space between the decking to prevent ice build up. Bicyclists, however, don't like having to stay on the six-inch wide beams.

"We decked it for snowmobiles," Ray said. "No consideration was given to bicyclists and then you're into a much bigger picture."

How to accommodate different uses of the trail will be identified in a master plan, which is being worked on. One option would be to have a metre-wide path for bicyclists, who would also require railings.

"I don't think everyone believes the entire length of trail is suitable for every use," said Gary King, who sits on the corridor committee.

Rock cut

Dyna-con will be asked to fix a dangerous rock cut on

County Road 648.

"We didn't see this coming, and then bang, there's six metres of rock on the road," Ray said of a rock fall that occurred six kilometres east of Highland Grove on December 2. No one was hurt and the rock was immediately cleared.

Although the department's protocol says such work should first go out to tender, council agreed to spend up to \$20,000 to have Dyna-Con do the work. The Haliburton company is the only one in the county with the expertise and is considered an expert in the province. As well, it was felt there was an emergency nature to the work and councillors didn't want to wait for the tendering process.

Social housing

It had been hoped that concerns about who would pay the costs of installing chlorination systems at Parklane Apartments and Echo Hills Legion Apartments would be resolved at a meeting on December 7.

However, that meeting was cancelled at the request of City of Kawartha Lakes.

On April 1, responsibility for public housing is scheduled to fall under the umbrella of the social alliance between Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton County. The social alliance will be responsible for housing and social services, such as welfare.

However, King says that Kawartha Lakes is no longer certain it wants social housing to fall under the alliance's auspices. Kawartha Lakes will have to resolve that issue before the chlorination dilemma can be addressed. King mentioned it might take some time for this to happen since there might be a strike at Kawartha Lakes.

Connect Haliburton

A consultant will be hired to continue with a business plan that will look into addressing the county's technological needs and electronic service delivery requirements.

"The project is moving ahead nicely and hopefully we'll get some positive results for everyone," reported King.

Meetings

The next county council meeting is January 23.

The February meeting has been changed to February 20.

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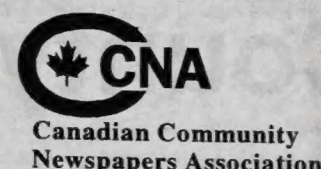
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New county warden will be up to challenges

Editorial

Congratulations to Eleanor Harrison on her appointment as warden of Haliburton County.

It comes as no surprise to those who follow the workings of county council that her colleagues have the confidence in her to assume the duties of the head of that level of government.

There is no doubt, either, that the other seven members of county council will demonstrate their support throughout the coming year whenever she calls upon them individually, or collectively, for assistance.

With the problems, trials and tribulations of the amalgamation of 10 municipalities into four mostly behind them, the members of county council have the opportunity to focus their talents and experience on other, equally important issues. Some may have taken a back seat while the amalgamation process took priority.

In an economy which the experts warn us is on the verge of a downturn, the challenges of the coming year may be equally as difficult as those associated with amalgamation.

Waste management is destined to be an issue that will occupy its share of county council's time. Harrison's statement in her inauguration address that she intends to focus on identifying where responsibilities lie is a step in the right direction. Once it is clear where those responsibilities belong, it will be easier

to direct the resources, both human and financial, to the task of finding solutions. One of the challenges in the waste management issue will be to find solutions that everyone can live with. There will have to be compromises. No matter which avenues are chosen, there will be opposition. Some opposition will be based on fact, some on emotion and some on a combination of the two. The big challenge will be the separation of fact from emotion, with the goal of making decisions based on information which can be substantiated. Septage lagoons may be the only viable solution, at least in the short to medium term, to the current sewage disposal problems. And with the limited life span of the county's landfill sites, even more aggressive recycling initiatives may be necessary. At the very least, more aggressive education programs to get the public on side are essential to increase the landfill life as much as possible.

Harrison also mentioned the continuing quest to establish a 9-1-1 service in Haliburton County. The process seems akin to walking across a ploughed field, with the mud continually building up on one's feet to the point where it seems like an endless struggle to get to the other side. In spite of the obstacles, 9-1-1 service is within sight. Harrison, her colleagues on county council and the various committees which have been established

to see this process through, will eventually realize that goal. We can only hope that detours are necessary along the way.

Volunteer support, through various non-profit agencies within the county, will continue to be vital to the county on numerous fronts, Harrison noted. Getting volunteers to do more with less will be difficult. But, with the right amount of encouragement, recognition and recruitment, goals can be attained.

Health care is always a concern in an area where the populace has a high percentage of seniors, such as Haliburton County. While some may view this phenomenon as a liability, in reality, the large base of seniors offers a valuable volunteer resource, which to a large extent, is untapped. There is a huge pool of expertise among our retired population that could be free for the asking — if you know where to ask.

We have the confidence in the new warden to make some difficult decisions and we wish her well in her term of office.

While we offer our congratulations to Eleanor Harrison for accepting the challenge of the office of warden of the county, maybe we should also offer our condolences to her husband Jim. No doubt, he will have less opportunity to spend quality (leisure) time with his wife over the next 12 months.

Letters

System ignores needs of elderly

To the Editor:

Our county seems to be moving in the direction of ignoring the needs of our elderly.

My mother, who lives with us, is 80 years old and we have had a nurse visit us once every two weeks for over a year to check her vital signs, her legs and feet for infection and her general well being.

She has congestive heart failure, is almost blind, on blood thinners, intermittent balance problems, diabetic requiring blood testing and insulin injections twice daily, edema (blistering) on both legs that are prone to infection, blood blisters that form on her toes that are prone to infection, hard time waking and getting into vehicles, a pacemaker which is running down and will have to be replaced in the near future at the Peterborough Pacemaker Clinic or hospital.

She also spent a week in the hospital with a foot infection that was noticed by a visiting nurse.

After a visit from one of the Access Centre's case managers, we were informed that my mother's nurse visits, once every two weeks, would be denied starting January 2002 because she no longer met with their 2001/2002 budget reducing strategy. I made myself clear at this time that because of my mother's health problems that I would be pursuing this further.

It seems to me that the budget-reducing strategy of the administration at the Access Centre is more interested in saving money than lives and whoever is responsible for this type of decision-making should be ashamed of themselves. Some of their budget strategy will actually increase the cost to our health care system by their referring some of their clients to go to their doctors or the hospital rather than have an occasional nurse's visit.

It seems to me that the elderly who have sacrificed so much for the freedoms we now take for granted, are being forgotten and pushed aside or

buried — not in the ground as yet but in the paperwork and budget-reducing strategies it takes to get them there.

There is obviously a slow destruction of our health care happening and I can see that if allowed to continue, it will be a "user pay" system, where the people with the money will live longer than those that can't afford appropriate health care.

Let's not be an uncaring community. It is time to speak out and protect our elderly, protect our seniors and ultimately, yourself, your children and grandchildren.

Write your local MPs and newspapers. Let them know your dilemmas caused by this budget reducing strategy and shameful decision making.

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Bear with me on this one

Last week a western inventor was boasting about the latest bear-proof suit that he had developed. Called, the Ursus Mark V, it is a combination of chain mail, Kevlar and other space age materials. Having said that, he's still reasonably sure that a grizzly could open it up like a sardine can, leaving the person inside with very little room to run — hence the limited warranty and warning labels.

Yet, by all accounts, this Robo-cop-like suit is successful for the simple reason that big bruins are terrified by the look of it. They won't go near the inventor when he's wearing it.

To which I say: big deal! Not only do I have several suits that would scare away bears, but I've got a few such neckties as well. And I'm pretty sure that if I wore the worst of them, a hungry bear wouldn't come near me even if I were smothered in honey and wearing a necklace of salmon heads. Then again, this would be the same reaction I got from eligible women when, as a bachelor, I field-tested these suits.

Of course, black bears and grizzlies are not Kodiak bears, just as schoolgirls and girlfriends are not mothers-in-law. The inventor found this out the hard way when testing his suit in a cage that was home to a 535-kilogram Kodiak. Upon entering, the bear rapidly approached and stared him down at 15 centimetres. As the animal's hot breath blow-dried hair that probably stood on end, I'm sure that the inventor answered the human equivalent of the question about what a bear does in the woods. I know I would.

But whereas the Ursus Mark V failed miserably when confronted

with a giant Kodiak bear, I'm sure that my old purple velour jacket and bright yellow polyester tie would have had that bear high-tailing back to his den, and for less than half the price.

I always called it my lucky suit anyways, and this new research just justifies the reason for that.

Personally, I think it's great that an inventor has stumbled on a safe way to deal with bears that doesn't involve a slower traveling companion and running shoes. After all, I'm not as fast as I used to be.

But I still have to wonder about the wisdom of thinking that a mere suit can scare off a determined predatory attack. And I speak from experience here, as I did run into limited success while dating one of my sister's friends.

Yet, I suppose that crimes against fashion can also translate into crimes against nature. Which leaves the ethical question: do we have the right to walk through the bush wearing such horrid clothing?

Personally, I'm going to take a stand against this.

From now on, my outdoors attire will not offend so much as a skunk although I'm not guaranteeing anything about my cologne.

And when it comes to bears, I'm just going to depend on a surge of adrenalin and a few hasty Our Fathers to get me through. As I always have.

Because, you know, when it gets right down to it, I'm not one who condones cruelty to animals. And if a bear did somehow manage to break land-speed records and catch me, as it took a bite to ascertain whether or not I was edible, maybe it's just vanity, but I wouldn't want to leave a bad taste in its mouth.



BEYOND 35
BY STEVE GALEA

But is it art?

Does anybody remember what art is? I knew once, many years ago. I was standing in a cave near a town called Altamira in northern Spain. For a few pesetas, a local guide had agreed to escort a half dozen of us into an already famous underground grotto decorated with prehistoric paintings. The beam of his flashlight flickered across the cave wall revealing depictions of deer, bison, a few hand prints — and then the guide flicked off the flashlight, leaving us in complete darkness.

After a few seconds he struck a kitchen match and as it flared, he held it close to one of the painted bison.

The bison...breathed.

In the dancing flame of the match, the bison seemed to come alive. A few of us actually jumped.

The painting was 15,000 years old, put there by a half-naked, illiterate savage who never saw a paint brush, much less a copy of Gray's Anatomy, but I did not doubt for a second that it was art. It went straight from the cave wall through my eyes to my heart.

I've never been that sure of a piece of art work since. I remember standing in an art gallery in Toronto in front of a five-foot section of sewer pipe. It was entitled "THIS IS NOT A SEWER PIPE" and carried a price tag of \$500.

One of Canada's most famous living artists is Jana Sterbak. Famous for what? For "Vanitas: Flesh Dress for an Albino Anorectic." It's a sculpture consisting of rib-eye steaks sewn together and left to rot in public. And I mean public. It was shown at the National Gallery of Canada in 1989.

Or consider the opus of New Yorker David

Leslie. Mister Leslie is a performance artist who thinks "the world needs art that breaks conventions of beauty". That's why his latest artistic statement will take place in a boxing ring.

The artist plans to don boxing gloves and protective head gear, then invite anyone in the audience to come into the ring and try to knock him out.

"I'll be covering up" he said, "but people will have, like, 15 uninterrupted shots at me. It'll be cool."

Then there's the photographic artist Thomas

Condon in Cincinnati. He tried to have an art opening consisting of photographs he'd taken in a morgue. Condon had "arranged" various corpses so that they were holding objects like a syringe, sheet music and an apple.

Cincinnati police reckoned it was more like corpse abuse than art, and Condon's been indicted — although a local art critic allowed that "from an art perspective, there is a precedent for (such an exhibit)".

Perhaps the What Is Art question came full cir-

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Tranquility at Rotary Park

Photo by Darren Lum/Times

The things that pass for art

from page 7

cle at an exhibit in Birmingham, England last spring.

The exhibit consisted of...nothing. There were no sculptures on the floor, no paintings on display - only stark white walls and a few cardboard signs that read "Exhibition To Be Constructed In Your Head." An organizer explained that it was "an experiment to see how people react to it."

They want to be careful about encouraging public judgement. They should bear in mind what happened at an avant-garde space called the Eyestorm Gallery in London's trendy West End. Gallery officials opened their doors the

morning after a launch party for artist Damien Hirst, only to discover that one of Mister Hirst's installations had disappeared! Police questioned a building cleaner, Emmanuel Asare who readily admitted that when he saw a coffee table littered with cigarette butts, empty beer bottles, pop cans and paper cups, he sighed, swept the whole thing into a Hefty bag and tossed it in a dumpster.

When he was informed that he had dismantled a work of art valued at \$12,000, Asare shrugged and said "I didn't think for a second that it was a work of art. Didn't look much like art to me".

The world needs more art critics like Emmanuel Asare.

What will it cost?

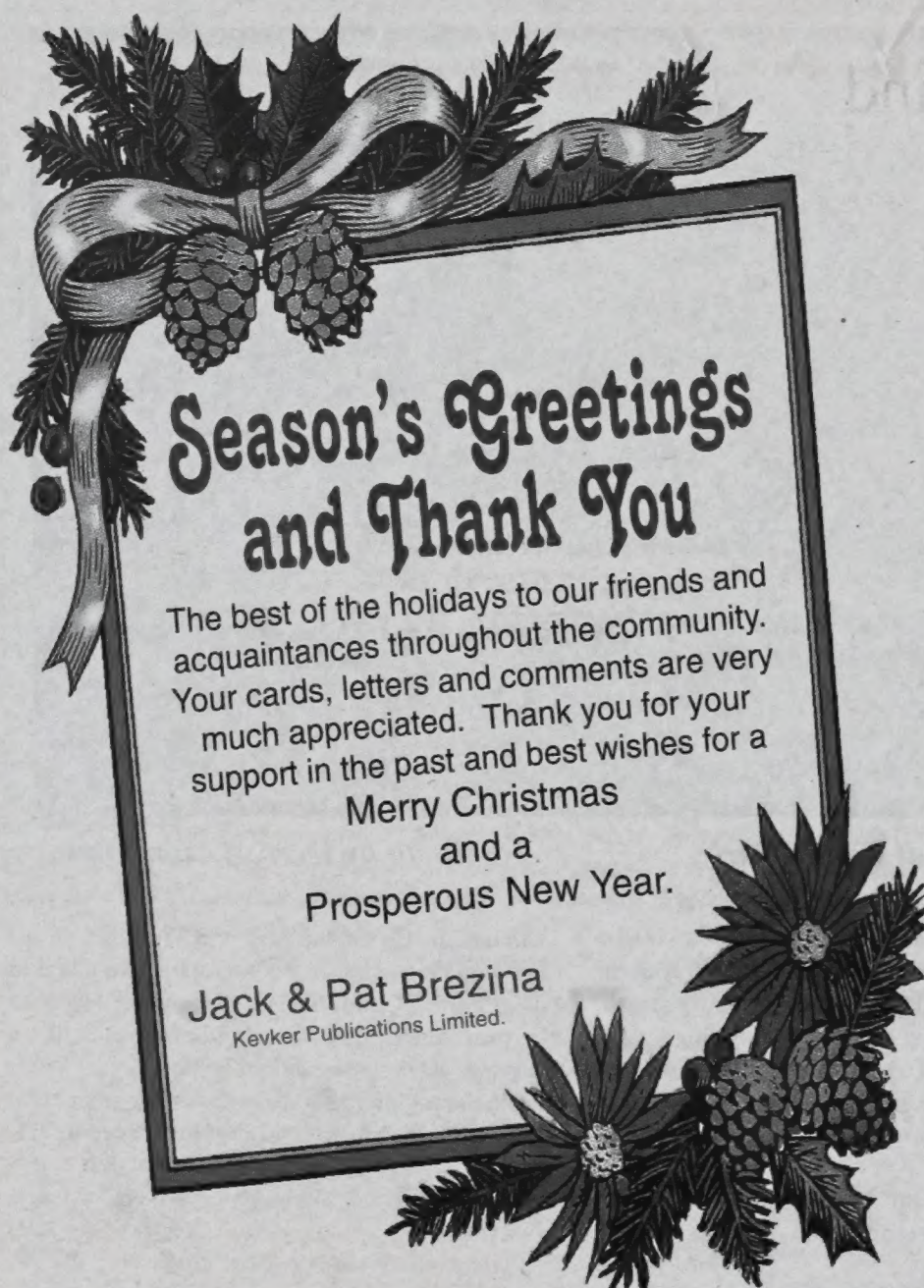
To the Editor:

What is the total cost for watering flowers (manpower, equipment, etc). As a taxpayer, this is an important thing to know. As to hiring a student, why can we not get students to volunteer as students are required to complete 40 hours of community service in order to receive a diploma. To have flowers decorating Minden is all fine and dandy but without a clean and clear by-law what is the use if only a small part of Minden Hills is made presentable. Perhaps we should plant

flowers around the abandoned junk cars.

Before Minden Hills starts paying to water flowers with taxpayers money, it would be better spent to maintain the roads servicing ratepayers which are not presently being maintained. If their roads are not maintained I cannot get to town to look at the flowers, therefore I will have to shop in Coboconk.

Charles Gerditschke
Moore Lake



"If you want city things, that's where you should stay"

To the Editor:

Re: article, Stanhope tennis courts

Having served on the Stanhope council for 14 years, it still amazes me how small-minded some people think. It seems they only think of themselves, never finding out all the facts on the issue.

The safety of the (Stanhope playground) equipment has been a concern of the Algonquin Highlands council for the past few years. The Stanhope Recreation Department, Fire Department and the Stanhope Soccer League, are just some of the groups that have raised money for the new playground. If some of my tax dollars have gone to help pay for it, so be it. Personally, I don't use either the playground or the tennis courts, but that doesn't mean that other people shouldn't be enjoying them.

The playground is used by many children and their families, throughout the year. Every soccer season there are nearly 200 children and their siblings every week in the park. The courts are

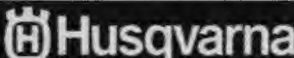
used (for the most part) in the early morning and late evenings, whereas the playground is used in the late morning, afternoon and after supper, when parents are home from work. When we do start thinking of our children, there is very little in the county for them to do, so don't start taking away what little they do have.

Marg McFarlane said she is here from May to October, if she plays tennis that much, how come she has not walked over to the Township office and spoken to the administrator about her concerns. There is a very active senior group in Stanhope, I am sure if things are that bad they would have approached council on this subject.

Maybe they should be charging to play on the courts as they do in most places. And don't ask 'what do I get for my tax dollars?' You get to come and spend time at the lake in the country. If you want city things that's where you should stay. This is not the city and God willing, it never will be.

Ann Barker

Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands




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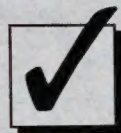
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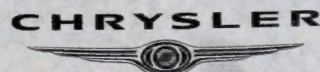
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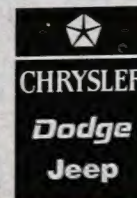
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Legion Art and Literary Awards presented

The Minden Legion Branch 636 Art and Literary awards for junior and intermediate elementary school students were presented at Archie Stouffer Elementary School last Thursday.

The top three winners in each category received awards.

Junior Art category

Black and white poster: First, Kandice Withey; second, John Murray; third, Victoria Hillier.

Colour poster: First, Jessica Pottier; second, Taylor Vlaming; third, Jordyn Archer.

Junior Literary category

Essay: First, Donald Murdoch; second, Emma Cox; third, Katie Sutcliffe.

Poetry: First, Victoria Hillier; second, Kandice Withey; third, Kristen Campbell.

Intermediate Art category

Black and white poster: first, Josh Vlaming; second, Krissy Weber; third, Steve Olsen.

Colour Poster: First, Alyssa Crowe; second, Callie Cowan; third, Adam Freeman.

Literary category

Essay: First, Christine Carr; second, Amanda Lytle; third, Janelle Campbell.

Poetry: First, Sarah Austin; sec-

ond, Brian Shim; third, Terri-Lynn Lumley.

Intermediate division winners from the Minden Legion Branch 636 Literary and Poster Contest, above right, are, front row, left to right: Brian Shim, Sarah Austen, Steven Olsen, Janelle Campbell, Christine Carr, Krissy Weber and Legion Youth Education Co-ordinator Francine Newton.

Back row (l to r): Josh Vlaming, Terri-Lynn Lumley, Alyssa Crowe, Amanda Lytle and Callie Cowan. Absent: Adam Freeman.

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School board hires music consultant to work in schools

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board has hired a music consultant to work with elementary schools throughout the area over the next six months.

Eric Smeaton, a teacher at King Albert Public School in Lindsay, has taken on the assignment, which begins January 7.

His job will be to help schools implement the Music Builders Program. It encourages students' awareness and enjoyment of music. He will also travel to each of the schools to implement the province's new music curriculum.

Smeaton has other goals as well.

One is to increase the number of students who participate in the Durham Music Camp, which offers drama, music, art and dance activities to students over a 10-day period. This year 10 students will attend; next year he hopes it will reach 50.

Other projects include peer mentoring and providing assistance to students as they tackle various music tasks.

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Times sports



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Goal-mouth scramble

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Red Hawks were downed 7-1 by the visiting LCVI Spartans, one of the league contenders, on Wednesday night at the Dysart Community Centre. They have been virtually eliminated from the playoffs by the loss. An inability to capitalize on early chances led to a momentum shift in favour of LCVI. The Red Hawks gave up a short-handed goal in the first period, making it 3-0 and effectively putting the game out of reach. The Hawks were unable to recover from the deficit. The lone HHSS goal was scored with 32 seconds remaining in the second period by Jeremy Miscio.

Novice A Highland Storm hosts tournament

by Andrew Paul

The Pepper Mill Restaurant Highland Storm Novice A hockey club hosted to an eight-team, one day tournament on December 1 at the S.G. Nesbitt Community Center in Minden. Visiting teams arrived from Aurora, Bancroft, Bracebridge, Hamilton, Huntsville, Newmarket, Parry Sound, and Port Perry for this event.

The hockey action did not disappoint. In fact it seemed to very closely follow to a Hollywood script, as all the games were very close and competitive, with many of them decided by overtime. After the preliminary rounds, the finalists were decided, and the championships were on the line.

The Parry Sound Shamrocks were winners over the Bancroft Jets by a 5-3 score in the D final. The Aurora Tigers were 3-2 overtime winners over the Chedoke Express from Hamilton in the C final. The Port Perry

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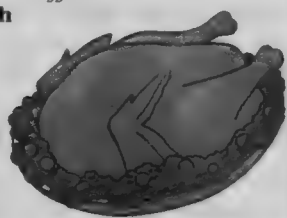
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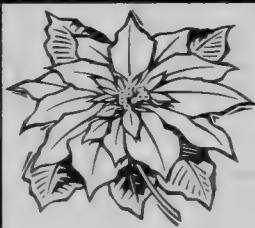
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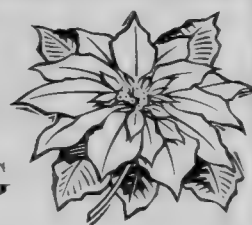
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Atom A Storm continues to dominate

by Patti Tallman

The Cango Gas Bar Atom A team was able to run the roads quite easily thanks to mother nature holding off the white stuff.

The team was busy on the road to Sunderland December 8, Manvers December 9, Cannington December 11 and home in Minden December 13, against Omemee for four action packed games of hockey.

The Sunderland players came out feeling confident but the Storm blew in and took the wind out of their sails, taking them by surprise. Brady Hicks, Jessee Tallman, Jesse Stoughton, Chase Thurston, Matt Johnston and Robert Lowes were the Storm goal scorers, with assists going to Colin Callaghan, Steve Miscio, Mitch Vasey and

Roch Peterson.

The team executed passes with confidence and was very supportive defensively, keeping Sunderland at bay to the very end. An excellent shut out was earned by Nathan Woodcock. Final score 8-0 for the Storm.

Back on ice again in Manvers, the Storm came out with confidence. Both teams were persistent, with the Storm keeping the action in the Manvers end of the rink for most of the first period. The Storm had some good opportunities but the Manvers goalie was hot between the pipes.

Then, midway through the second, the Storm broke. The Storm players found their groove as they scored three smooth goals in the second period. Manvers managed to squeeze one in at the beginning of the third,

thinking it could get the game back into the swing of things.

The game shaped up to be another great evening of entertainment. Good, solid forechecking and awesome defensive checks set the tone for the third period. The Storm persisted and scored two more in the third for a final score of 5-1 for the boys in blue. Assists went to Steven Miscio, Rock Peterson and Jessie Stoughton, setting up some awesome goals by Matt Johnston, Jessee Tallman, Steven Miscio and Robert Lowes.

The game was an excellent example of team effort, with every member of the Highland crew keeping the passes sharp from beginning to end. Kyle Steele made some awesome saves in the Storm net.

Cannington was next on the agenda and again travelling the roads was not a worry with no white stuff in the forecast.

Passing was the name of the game for this night of hockey, as the Storm dominated from beginning to end, keeping the puck on the move and in the groove. Goals were scored by Matt Eno, Mitch Vasey, Brady Hicks and Jesse Stoughton with assists from Derek Carpenter, Robert Lowes and

Mitch Vasey.

Home the Highland Storm team came to meet Omemee. The Storm players dominated yet again another game of smooth hockey. They passed and they checked well. Points were shared by every player on the team, with a final score 11-1 for the Storm. Excellent goal tending by Nathan Woodcock and Kyle Steele helped anchor the win. Following are a few games for the holiday season schedule to mark on your calendars: December 20 in Minden at 6 p.m. against Manvers. December 21 in Bobcaygeon at 8 p.m. December 2 in Fenelon Falls at 4 p.m. December 28 tournament in Douro January 3 in Minden at 7:30 p.m. against Cannington. The team players Collin Callaghan, Derek Carpenter, Matt Eno, Brady Hicks, Matt Johnston, Robert Lowes, Steven Miscio, Roch Peterson, Lane Schmid, Todd Simms, Kyle Steele, Jessie Stoughton, Jessee Tallman, Chase Thurston, Mitch Vasey, Nathan Woodcock, the coaching staff - Ted Vasey, Mark Eno, Bob Woodcock, Greg Carpenter and Rod Thurston, hope you and your families have a safe and happy holiday season. Merry Christmas and happy New Year.

Storm downs Blades

from page 11

Predators were 4-2 winners over the Huntsville Blues in the B final, and the Newmarket Redmen were 4-0 winners over the Highland Storm in the A final.

The young members of the Highland Storm Novice A team had a great day and congratulations are in order for their fantastic results, especially in light of the fact that their games were against teams from larger centers.

The day's events were well planned, and the tournament volunteers and supporters were on hand to provide an excellent atmosphere as hosts of the tournament. All of the participants enjoyed the experience at the tournament and complimented the hosts accordingly.

The Novice A team and parents would like to thank the many sponsors and supporters of the tournament.

Storm dumps Blades 4-1

Sunday saw a return to regular league play with a game hosted by the Beaverton Blades, resulting in a 4-1 victory for the Highland Storm. The Storm players performed as a seasoned group, having completed their tournament just 18 hours before game time in Beaverton.

Providing much of the hustle this day was Keaton Gadway, with the hat trick, assisted by linemates Scott Griffith and Ashton Haley, and supported by defensemen Mark Vasey and Michael Callaghan.

With linemate Chris Judge cheering from the penalty box, Brandon Yake scored a bonus short-handed goal, assisted by Brett Hicks, and backed up by defensemen Drew Paul, and Matthew Gallagher. The masked marvel Zack Harrison did a magnificent job of guarding the pipes, allowing only one goal, and made numerous saves enroute to the victory.

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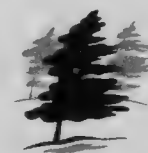
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Bantam A Highland Storm wins two of three

by Bill Hutson

The Highland Storm Bantams had a busy few days recently, with three games in five days, from November 30 to December 4.

The first of the three games was a tough one as the Storm met the Orono Leafs at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. The Storm started out in a fury of tornado- and hurricane-like play, especially from new Storm player Brandon Bowman, who returned from AAA play in Lindsay to hometown Storm hockey and friends. He is welcome back in the Highlands.

This hard play for the first two periods set the Leafs back to a 3-1 score going into the third. Coaches report that with the two periods of heavy play, hard hits and tough work in the corners against a big team, that the Storm lost its fury and tired out. The Leafs rebounded and scored five goals in the third period to win the game by a 5-4 score over the Storm. Sean Keaney led the Highland effort with two goals, Darren Brown contributed with a goal and an assist, Jesse "the Jazz" Johnson added a goal, Jono Sharpley's hard corner work produced two assists, while Matt Roberts and Justin Abbs each pitched in with one helper.

The second game, Sunday night, was the predicted win and return game against the Beaverton Blades in "Bladeville". The first period was, as expected, hard hitting, chippy and aggressive. The Storm had the Blades by the throat for a two-minute two-man advantage, but just like cantankerous old huntin' dog, the Blades didn't let the situation get the best of them and fought off the rest of the pack. No goals were scored for either side in the first period.

The first shift of the second was all it took for the Blades to pull ahead by one. The score held until another five on three advantage for the Storm. This time, Josh Fick spotted some open ice and broke in from the point with a shot on net and rebound to Mark Fisher for the goal. After this, a

Storm penalty left the fans watching some four-on-four hockey. Lots of open ice and a nice pass by Sean Keaney out from the corner to the slot area and a one-timer from Justin Abbs into the net tied the score.

This was some life energy needed by the Storm as their play picked up as Matt "the Digger" Roberts broke up the Blades' play in the corner producing a loose puck that Jesse Johnson directed to the net. This caught the Beaverton keeper sleeping and tricked between his legs. It proved that no shot on net is a bad play and it also kept Brandon Bowman's plus/minus average up as he had just jumped back on the ice from a sit down in the penalty box.

The third period started with the Storm in front 3-1. Lets win the third period of this game was the team's mission. That they did, but the frame was not without its moments though as a questionable five-minute penalty call on Justin Abbs well after the opposing player had slashed, skated to the penalty box on his own holding his neck then helped to the dressing room holding his head. Clint Eastwood never came close to this much acting talent!

Not to be phased, the Storm lads managed another goal on a corner pass-out from Hitman Hutson to Kolt "Shooter" Smith with a nice along-the-ice goal.

A late goal by the Blades made the final 4-2 for a great Storm road win.

The third game, on December 4, was a rare Tuesday night Haliburton home game. The Storm faced off against the Ops Flames who had beat the Storm in a previous encounter.

The Storm was out to throw some water on the advancing Flames and it didn't take long. Hard work, strong skating and passing paid off with a four-goal first period.

Mark Fisher in his new offensive forward position scored three goals in the period and Jesse Johnson notched one.

The second period was mostly Storm favored, but no goals could be put past the Flames goalie. Excellent penalty killing by Josh Fick, Brandon Bowman, Jono Sharpley and Sean Keaney through the second period kept the Flames to only one goal on a bouncy puck that flipped over netminder Jeremy Moynes.

Period three was again the Mark Fisher show. In a race for the puck, he first tried to take out the end boards with his head, with neither suffering any damage. He got up and skated away as the opposing player, who took him into the

boards, lay on the ice. (The other player eventually got up too.) All Canadian Hockey eh! Don Cherry could be heard to say after the game. The next Fisher moment was on a clear break with the puck. He totally mesmerized the opposition by throwing his stick 15 feet into the air, capturing everyone's attention except Jesse Johnson who picked up the loose puck to slam it home for the fifth, and final, goal. "Heck of a play," said assistant coach Roberts, who went on to explain how he taught him that one. The final score was 5-2 for the Storm. Assists went to Sean Keaney, Kevin Bowman (with two) and Darren Brown.

Carnarvon bowling results

Tuesday Afternoon League

High average: Ken Thompson 215; Mona Benn 184
High single: Ross Henderson 281; Sandy Ross 222
High single (handicap): Ross Henderson 318; Sandy Ross 292
High triple: Ed Braithwaite 758; Sandy Ross 547
High triple (handicap): Ed Braithwaite 812; Sandy Ross 757

Wednesday Afternoon League

Ken Thompson 222; Marie Thompson/Mona Benn 187
High average: Ken Thompson 346; Mona Benn 237
High single: John Whitty 270; Betty Trapp 290
High single (handicap): Ken Thompson 788; Mona Benn 627
High triple: John Whitty 775; Betty Trapp 753

Thursday Afternoon League

High average: Ken Thompson 214; Shirley Webb 180
High single: Ken Thompson 252; Maraylene Welch 197
High single (handicap): Bill Hogg 274; Mary Colman 245
High triple: Ken Thompson 644; Shirley Webb 542
High triple (handicap): Jerry Warren 707; Maraylene Welch 676

Senior Partners Competition

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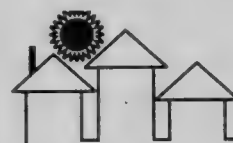
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Novice B Storm a force to be reckoned with

by Norm Bottum

After a regrouping of all the Novice B teams in Tri-County, the Highland Storm Pizza Den Novice Bs find themselves in the top division with seven other squads.

With 11 wins and one tie in the first round, the Storm will be the team that the other squads will hope to upset.

The first game of the new schedule took the Highland Storm to Sunderland to play the Red Wings. After playing catch up in the first two periods on goals by Greg Clements and Luke Watson, the Storm was able to take a lead for the first time in the game at the end of the second period with a goal by Brett Yavis, assisted by Zane Zondervan and Carson Roberts.

This turned out to be the winner. The Storm eventually wore out the Wings and controlled the third period with four straight goals. Rounding out the scoring were Zane, Adam Van Nood, Ian Bottum and Clements with his second of the game. Alex Treharne did an awesome job in net, keeping the Storm in the game over the first two periods and shutting out Sunderland in the third period.

The game against Sunderland was a good wake up call for the boys. This next round would not be as easy as the first. The next day the Storm hosted the Mariposa Lightning in Minden. The Storm was all over the Lightning from the first drop of the puck.

The Lightning goalie was the difference in the first period only giving up one goal to Ian Bottum, assisted by Tannner Cowan. The next two periods were all Storm, with seven more unanswered goals. Bottum, Van Nood and Roberts took turns scoring these, with Van Nood notching four of the markers. The Storm continues to improve in its play-making, with the remainder of the Storm players all being credited with at least one assist. This group includes J.J. Kerr, a crafty play-maker, Alex Treharne,

who is always going hard up and down the ice and Dylan Reynolds, who was a wall at the blue line to keep the Lightning in their zone. Luke Watson earned the shutout.

Scott Moore rolls 390

Legion 636 Mixed League

High average: Bob Vankoughnet 192; Elli Langpohl 170

High single: Bob Vankoughnet 230; Elli Langpohl 199

High single (handicap): Pat Scadden 268; Judy Kent 253

High triple: Bob Vankoughnet 597; Elli Langpohl 562

High triple (handicap): Neville Whiteside 677; Elli Langpohl 697

Monday Night Mixed Match Play

High average: Scott Moore 250; Cathy Snell 228

High single: Scott Moore 390; Michelle Moore 208

High single (handicap): John Tompos 328; Erin Moore 257

High triple: Scott Moore 929; Cathy Snell 575

High triple (handicap): John Tompos 776; Erin Moore 677

Tuesday Night Mixed League

High average: Scott Moore 247; Cathy Snell 243

High single: Scott Moore 327; Cathy Snell 327

High single (handicap): Gord McAllister 284; Michelle Moore 317

High triple: Scoot Moore 830; Cathy Snell 834

High triple (handicap): Gord McAllister 805; Michelle Moore 738

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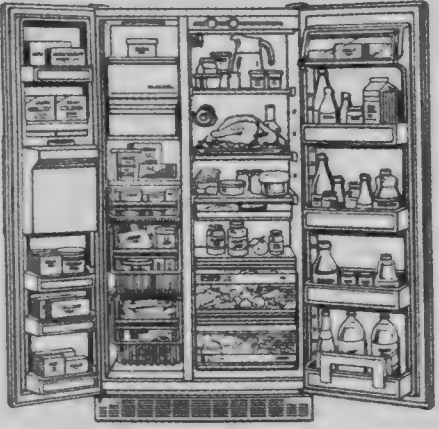
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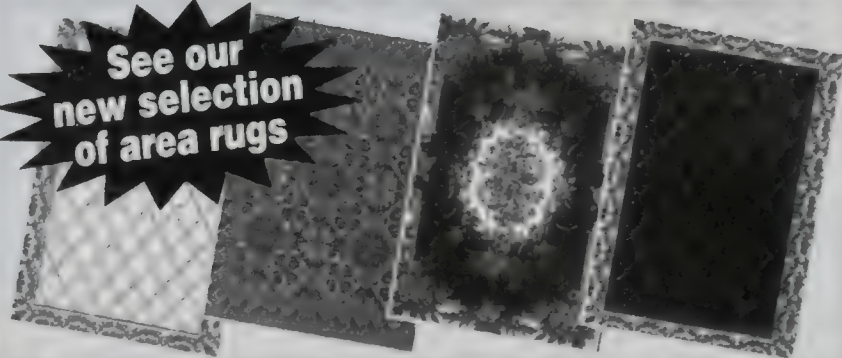
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Minden homes certainly sparkled in the Christmas At Night decorating contest sponsored by Haliburton Home Hardware, the Minden Times and the Haliburton County Echo. Above is Joe River's place on Deep Bay Rd., just past Hyland Crest. Above right is Wanita Kimble's beautiful angel on the Bobcaygeon Rd. At right is the Coltman residence on Horseshoe Lake Rd. #1, just outside Minden. More than 40 homes entered the contest which was won by Larry and Ruth Strong on the Essonville Line, Wilberforce. Second prize went to Jim Ellis on Hwy. 118, just outside Haliburton. Third place was a tie between Jackie Mayhew on Paradise Cove Rd. and Howard and Mary Brumwell on Green Lake Rd. near West Guilford Congratulations!



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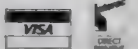
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The annual work schedule describes forest management activities (timber harvesting, road construction and maintenance, site preparation, tree planting, and tending) that are planned for the April 1, 2001 to March 31, 2002 period.

All forestry operations have been previously planned and approved in a forest management plan.

A mapped summary of the scheduled forest management operations is available on request by contacting the ministry in Bancroft or Minden or the company office in Bird's Creek.

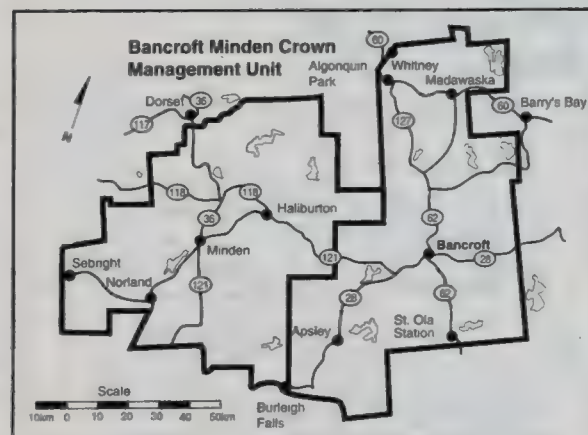
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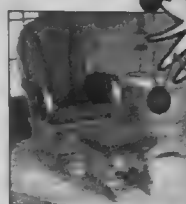
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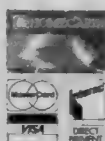


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"The consequences of not being a responsible host are many," says Anne-Marie Cyr, a Public Health Nurse with the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit. "More and more, the courts are making that point clear."

In February 2001, a judge ruled a Barrie real estate company had to pay more than \$300,000 to an employee who was allowed to drive home drunk after an office Christmas party seven years earlier. The judge ruled employers have the duty to protect their staff from harm not only on company premises, but on the road home afterwards.

Cyr says individuals are just as liable as companies. Homeowners can be held responsible for injuries or damages that occur as a result of the alcohol they provide at a party. As well, people can be held liable for the safety and behaviour of their guests until they're sober, not just until they leave the party or function, Cyr says.

"With so much at stake, don't party hearty. Party smart!" Cyr says.

Your local Health Unit officer offers many resources for people interested in learning about becoming a responsible party host. Some general tips include:

- Avoid physical activities during the party like skiing, snowmobiling or skating. People are more prone to injuries when they are drinking.
- Don't make drinking the main focus of the party.
- Serve drinks yourself instead of having an open bar. As well, have low-alcohol or alcohol-free drinks available.

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Tips for hosting a festive shindig

from page 18

• Plan to provide food throughout the party. Try items like vegetables, cheese and light dip. A guest who has been eating may not become as intoxicated.

• Find out how guests will be going home after your party. Be prepared to take away car keys. Know who designated drivers are or make arrangements for taxis. If necessary, be prepared for overnight guest.

• Stop serving alcohol a few hours before the party is over.

• Check the condition of the premises for any hazards that could endanger the safety of your guests.

• Don't drink anything – or very little – yourself. You can stay on top of potential problems better when you can think clearly and act quickly.

"Hosting a party can be fun, but it should also be safe," Cyr says. "Party smart by planning ahead and you truly will be the life of your party."

Party hosts should realize the effects alcohol has on their guests, Cyr adds.



An American study shows consuming two beers doubles the risk of a vehicle crash due to a slight decrease in motor skills, impaired memory and mental relaxation. The study found consuming four beers leads to intoxication and a

four-to-six times increased risk of vehicles crashes. The statistics are based on a 150-pound person who drinks within one hour of driving.

Parents, and other adults in particular, have a duty to act responsibly at a party where there will be teenagers in attendance, Cyr says.

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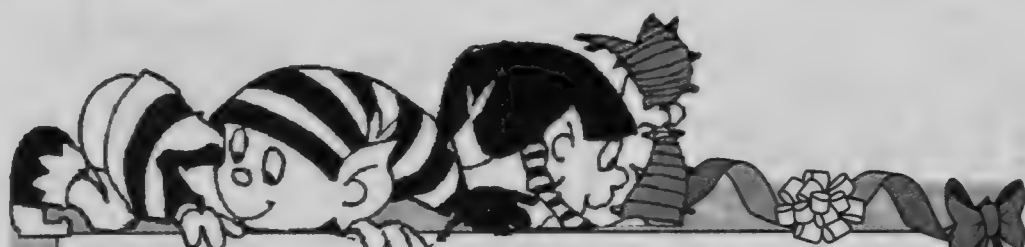
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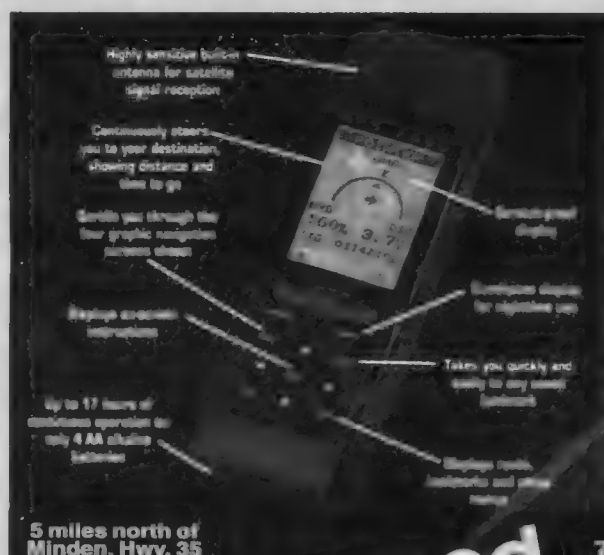
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4 large flour tortillas

8 eggs

1/4 cup / 50 mL milk

6 slices Maple Lodge Farms Chicken Bacon Style,
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2 tbsp / 30 mL butter

2 green onions, chopped

1/2 cup / 125 mL bottled salsa

1 cup / 250 mL shredded cheddar cheese
salsa (optional)

Wrap tortillas in foil and place in 300° F (150° C) oven to warm. Beat eggs with milk. In large skillet, cook bacon in butter over medium-high heat about 2 minutes, until lightly browned.

Add green onion and cook briefly. Add egg mixture, reduce heat and stir gently to blend. Cook stirring with spatula until fluffy, but still moist. Spread small amount salsa over each tortilla.

Top one half with egg mixture and sprinkle with cheese. Fold into burrito, tucking in edges. Serve immediately with additional salsa, if desired.

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More recipes for the holidays

from page 20

Holiday Roaster with Orange, Cranberry and Wild Rice Dressing

Submitted by Maple Lodge Farms

1 Maple Lodge Farms Roaster (about 5 lbs / 2.2 kg)
melted butter

Dressing:

1/2 cup / 125 mL wild rice

1 onion, chopped

1 stalk celery, chopped

1 clove garlic, minced

3 tbsp / 45 mL butter

1/2 cup / 125 mL long grain rice

1 tbsp / 15 mL each chopped fresh sage and thyme

2 tsp / 10 mL grated orange zest

1 1/2 cup / 375 mL chicken stock

1/2 cup / 125 mL orange juice

1/2 cup / 125 mL dried cranberries

1/4 cup / 50 mL toasted pine nuts

1/4 cup / 50 mL chopped parsley

salt and pepper, to taste

Rinse wild rice under cold running water; drain and set aside. In saucepan, cook onion, celery and garlic in butter until softened. Stir in both rices, herbs, zest, stock and juice; bring to boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer 35 minutes. Stir in cranberries and simmer covered 10 to 15 minutes longer or until rice is tender. Add pine nuts, parsley, salt, pepper; toss to mix. Let cool completely before stuffing bird. Just before roasting, prepare chicken for stuffing. Rub with salt and pepper. Loosely pack stuffing into body cavity. Secure with small skewers or toothpicks. Place on rack in shallow roasting pan. Brush with melted butter. Roast at 400° F (200° C) for about 1 1/2 hours or until thermometer registers 175° F (85° C) inserted in thickest part of thigh. Remove chicken to a platter and let stand covered for 10 to 15 minutes before carving. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

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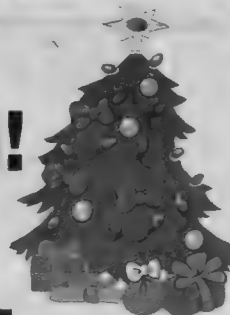


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Canadians can now turn to the internet for help. Web-savvy donors can research causes and keep up-to-date on the latest activities of their charity of choice, in addition to being able to make online donations.

Charity.ca, Canada's first charity portal, has been connecting donors to Canadian charities since May of this year. Charity.ca accepts online donations and issues electronic receipts for more than 300 member charities, including prominent Canadian charities like The Arthritis Society and The Nature Conservancy of Canada. With more than 2,000 charities either registered or in the process of being registered, the number of member charities online will grow significantly by Christmas.

"Canadians want to make an informed decision on where they invest their money," says Richard W Ivey, a prominent Canadian philanthropist and the founder of Charity.ca. "Our web portal links donors to the charities and causes that are important to them."

Another benefit of giving online is the ability to track your donations for income tax purposes. As the holiday season coincides with the year-end tax deadline, Charity.ca helps every donor create an individual donation portfolio – a complete record of their annual charitable giving. A simplified income tax return

is a gift everyone would like under the tree this year!

Tips for giving wisely

The 'Season of Giving' is a time when many Canadians make a donation to charity. But with so many charitable organizations in Canada, choosing a cause to support can be a little overwhelming.

- Budget for giving. Work your giving goals into your financial planning. Earmarking money for the causes important to you lets you give regularly and without worry.
- Ask about matching gifts. Many companies match contributions employees make to charitable organizations. Check with your employer to see what their giving policy entails.
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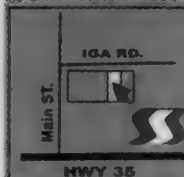
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Preparation before you travel:

- Make sure vehicle is ready; have it tuned up, check the brakes, tires and exhaust. Ensure windshield wipers are in good repair and washer fluid is topped up.

- Have an emergency kit in your vehicle; extra clothing and or blankets, booster cables, shovel, extra washer fluid, food, flashlight, candle, matches, road flares, sand, kitty litter or other traction agent, emergency call police sign and cell phone if you have one.

- Plan your route; even short trips, know where you are going, how you are getting there and plan the best route, tell someone your route and when you should be expected to arrive.

- See and Be Seen; take the time to clear your vehicle windows so you can see all around your vehicle, while you're at it, make sure all your lights are clear and functioning (front, back and side lights)

While you're on the road:

- Give yourself extra time; weather and road conditions can change without warning, make sure you have given yourself the extra time to get to your destination so you don't have to hurry.

- Slow down; road conditions are unpredictable, ice, slush, snow, salt or sand piles can catch you off guard.

- Increase following distances; leave extra space between you and other vehicles reaction times are slower and poor road conditions may require extra stopping distances.

- Watch out for intersections; intersections tend to ice up quickly because of braking and acceleration. Keep this in mind and brake early and make sure you have plenty of space before pulling into or through an intersection because you may spin your

tires. Accelerate slowly.

In the event of a Mishap:

- Remain calm; it has already happened. Getting excited or angry isn't going to help the situation.

- First aid; take care of anyone injured and make sure the scene is secured to prevent further injuries (put out flares, hazard lights, keep people off the travel portion of roads etc.).

- Remain with your vehicle; use your emergency kit to stay with your vehicle and stay warm and as comfortable as you can. Don't let your vehicle idle for extended periods, ensure the exhaust area is clear and leave your window down a crack for fresh air.

- Avoid over exertion; shoveling snow, attempting to push your vehicle or jacking it to a new position takes great effort in storm conditions. you run the risk of heart attack or other injury so take it easy. Know when to wait for the tow truck!

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During the week of November 1st to December 5th the following incidents occurred.

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 Number of 12 Hour Suspensions: 1
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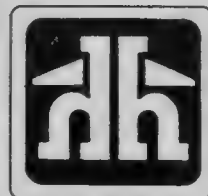
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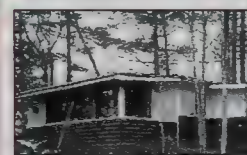
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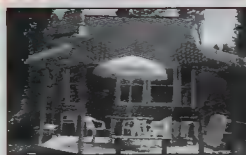
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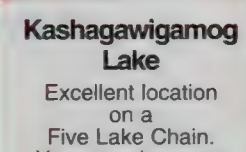
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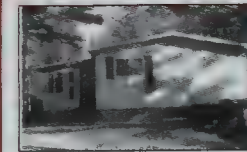
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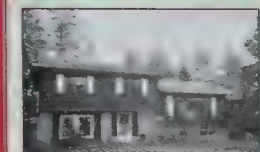
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Christmas lights tour a highlight of the week

by the Roving Reporters of Hyland Crest

Hello everyone, another week has flown by and the snow is still holding off. Maybe it's waiting for the week before Christmas. Now, enough of this small talk and on to the news.

On Thursday the Norland U.C.W. hosted our Tea Party and we had a wonderful assortment of Christmas goodies to choose from. A warm thanks to everyone who participated.

Friday at Happy Hour Les Schell and Kathleen Owens graciously entertained us.

On Saturday we had bingo upstairs, with plenty of winners, but Alice Sedgewick claimed the jackpot.

Sunday brought us Hymn Sing in the downstairs activity room and Reverend Burgess, as faithful as ever, came to visit with us.

On Monday morning we had keep fit upstairs and had a ball toss downstairs then in the afternoon it was time for our monthly Residents Council meeting, which was well attended. That day was a full one with Hazel Gregory helping out downstairs with some oatmeal chocolate chip cookie making. Hilda Gillespie, Eleanor Pye and Muriel Welch were on hand for the official taste test.

Tuesday some of the residents enjoyed Pastor Dan Millard at Chapel. We really appreciate his sense of humour. Downstairs Marlene Welch did Prayer Friends. Thanks Marlene, it is very much appreciated.

Tuesday night Linda, Roy, Jim, Joan and Corinne went on our annual Christmas Light Tour, with a busload of residents. To our surprise, we found Santa Claus hitch-

hiking near Hunter Creek Estates. The bus had to go through the RIDE program, which was no problem for, as you know Santa usually only drinks milk. We toured some streets of Minden and Horseshoe Lake road and what wonderful light displays we saw. We went down County Road 121 to Linda and John Pentney's, who always have such a beautiful light display. They are very gracious and served us eggnog and other goodies.

Wednesday our card players must have been tired out as we only had enough for one table. Sheila Burke and Mary Goldsmith won three games to none against Alice Sedgewick and Marj Watt.

The Norland Hillbillies entertained us at Pub Night, doing their usual great job. Ken wasn't able to come but Terry Boyce came and did a fine job. The Hillbillies passed out Christmas cards to all the residents, thanks to all of you.

Despite the hydro being out for most of their visit Burt Bonnell and Friends had a lively carol sing downstairs.

This week we send out get well wishes to Lillian Millar and Margaret Besse who haven't been feeling very well lately.

Keith Brannigan and Jean McCormick have left us after visiting us on respite.

We would like to welcome Iris Adamson to our home. We hope you will enjoy it here with us.

We are saddened by the passing of Winnie Barnum. Winnie was one of our long time residents. She was president of our Residents Council for quite a few years and had been a very active member. It is a sad time for all staff and residents. We will miss her smiling face.

That's a tasty looking house!



ALLISON TAYLOR/Times

A yummy treat: Students at Archie Stouffer Elementary School made their own houses last week, the gingerbread kind. Several of the classrooms have the edible fare in each of the classrooms. Crafts and creations has been a major theme at the school over the last few weeks. Gingerbread people were another addition to the menu, not necessarily meant to live in the houses.

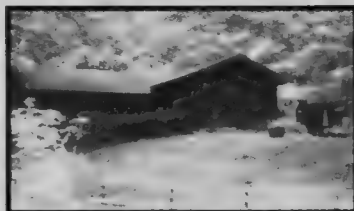
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Around the Town

by Patti Fleury

Each week when we picked up our copy of the Minden Times I always looked forward to reading Nora Snyder's column. Nora, by choice, would focus on the positive aspects of rural life and living. She provided information about the events taking place in our communities, about activities that were meaningful to people in enriching their leisure, and acknowledged the generous gift of time and talent made by so many local volunteers.

From my telephone contacts with the network of people who regularly provided the news items Nora's column has been missed. Clearly, it filled a need and in response to her challenge for someone to "step up to the podium" will be continued, albeit with a new byline and home base.

Nora assures me that she will be keeping in touch and will maintain a watchful eye on my efforts as a fledgling recorder. Thank you Nora from all your readers for a job well done, and best wishes in your new Peterborough home.

"Around the Town" refers not to one, but to several neighbouring small towns.

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Kinmount is my own.

Patti Fleury

Kinmount is my town.

Little did we realize while driving in the Galway Road on that August Civic weekend back in 1969 that one day this would be our permanent home. It has proven to be a good home. Kinmount is unique in that it is serviced by one city and two counties. Some of our residents live in the City of Kawartha Lakes, some in Haliburton County and others, like myself, in Peterborough County. The common denominator is KOM 2A0.

By the time you read this column Kinmount will have welcomed a most special visitor. Santa Claus, with a little help from his friends at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 and the Kinmount Committee for Planning, arrived on

Sunday, December 16 and was most impressed with the lighted trees and decorations.

The newly erected nativity scene downtown reminds shoppers of the first Christmas and its true meaning.

Once again the Kinmount Lions Club has supplied boxes to receive donations of much needed non-perishable food items in several locations and gift tags for those who wish

to provide a present for a child are also available. It would be appreciated if donations could be received by the Saturday before Christmas to allow for packing and delivery. I am sure that many similar opportunities for sharing have been organized throughout our readership area.

Thanks to everyone [weatherman included] who helped to make the Kinmount and Area Artisans Guild's first Christmas Bazaar such a success. The Guild's "Marketplace", a not-for-profit community fine art/hand-crafts co-operative, will be open daily until Christmas with special sale items. Some extended hours are also planned, so it's best to call ahead at [705] 488-1414 or check with Patti at [705] 488-2938. The Marketplace is located on the Lower Level of the Kinmount Community Centre at County Roads 121 and 45.

Speaking of the Kinmount Community Centre, be sure to mark your 2002 calendar now for a special evening of Dinner Theatre there in support of the Kinmount and District Health Services Foundation. The Lindsay Little Theatre will present "Saltwater Moon", a romantic comedy set in Newfoundland, on Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8. Gift certificates are available for that special someone on your list. Max Radiff at [705] 488-2801 or Ted Wilkes at [705] 488-2667 would be pleased to provide more information.

Scoring news:

December 7 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills: North/South, in first, with 61 per cent were Muriel McIntosh and Ross Fletcher. In second, with 56 per cent were Norma Crewson and Vic Matthews. East/West winners were Stella McMillian and Bill Sandford in first place with 58 per cent and Maria Lehoczky and Mike Collins in second with 56 per cent.

December 8 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace: Ruth Kellett called to report that Pat Scadden was first, June Branning second, with Bill St. Thomas, Shirley Elcome and Milton Fletcher finding hidden scores. Isabel Cherwenka, Iris Taylor, Idella Gault, and Gala Stamp won a moonshot each and Marcel Roussel had two.

December 10 at Club 35: Lone hands, Alf Whyman; high lady, Jean Randell; high man Milton Fletcher; low lady, Olive Daniels; low man, Alvin Cowen; baloney, Verna Sawyer. Special awards went to Verna Sawyer and Stan Dutka.

December 10 St. Paul Friendship Club: Ed Hisson and Betty Sharp won lone hands for the men and ladies, respectively. Jesse Barlow had the men's high and Gladys Wruth was the high lady. Gala Stamp had the low men's score and Betty Barlow had

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Zoning By-law Nos. 86-26 as amended, 4-81 as amended, and 3-78 as amended.

File No. MV A14/01, Part Lot 32, Concession 6, Township of Minden.
Applicant: JEAN MARGARET TYLER, SHARON ELIZABETH TYLER AND CATHERINE JANE TYLER
Purpose: Relief from Section 3.4(b) of Zoning By-law No. 86-26, as amended, to recognize a legal non-conforming building located 4.35 feet from the side line of the lot. Relief of 28.46 feet is required.

File No. MV A15/01, Part Lot 12, Concession 1, Township of Minden.
Applicant: WILLIAM SUTHERLAND AND JEAN SUTHERLAND
Purpose: Relief from Sections 3.4(b) and 3.28 of Zoning By-law No. 86-26, as amended, to permit the construction of an addition to a legal non-complying building to be located 41 feet from the high water mark of Canning Lake.

HEARING DATE: Thursday, January 3, 2002
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE AND ADDRESS: Minden Fire Hall
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Minden, Ontario.

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to the proposed minor variance.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the decision of the Committee will be sent to the applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed with the secretary-treasurer, a written request for notice of the decision.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection at the Building and Planning Department for the Township of Minden Hills, (formerly the Township of Lutterworth Municipal Office), Highway 35, Minden, Ontario.

Dated this 17th day of December, 2001.

Brendan Bérubé,
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From moonshots to high scores; it happens "Around the Town"

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the low ladies' score. Jack Chilton had the hidden score. Draws went to Gala Stamp, Ellen Holden and Ed Hisson. The birthday party on December 17 will be the last meeting in 2001. But not far away is January 7, the first meeting of the New Year.

December 10 bid euchre at Kimount: High was Vic Ballik with Esther Lee in second. There were seven moonshots with Esther Lee, Ida Young, Ruth Kelett, Marjorie Paradis and Mildred St. Thomas each taking one and Rob Evans with two. Kellett and Sharon Evans "shared the wealth."

December 11 Seniors bid euchre at the Minden Legion: Dorothy McElwain was first with Thelma Francis second and Trudy Kroes tied with Anne Baker for third place. Moonshot winners were Bill Van Dyke, Marie Dennie, Isabel Cherwenka, Dorothy McElwain and Kevin Maloney. Shirley Elcome, Georgina Parkes, and Isabel Cherwenka found hidden scores. Thanks to Marie Dennie for this information.

December 11 Stanhope Fire Hall Seniors Social Club Mixed Shuffleboard League results: First, George Hamilton and Marvel Eager 324; second, Syd Lockhart and Helen Skelding 298; third, Alf Briscoe and Pearl Cowen 293. Low score: Lefroy Eager and Marj Hamilton 152.

December 11 euchre at Gelert: Betty Curry and Mildred St. Thomas were the high and low ladies, with Reta Crofts and Orval Francis high and low "men." Bill St. Thomas won lone hand and Bob Vick the 50/50 draw.

Audrey Vick brings Seasons Greetings and a reminder that the next card party will be on January 8, 2002 at the Gelert Community Centre.

December 11 Contract bridge at Stanhope: High scores were - Ross Fletcher

5340, Harold Cox 5260, Muriel McIntosh 5050 and Audrey Barclay 4830.

December 11 duplicate bridge at Park Lane: North/South, in first with 59 per cent were Maria and Nic Lehoczy and Hal Beach and Alex McLeod second with 54 per cent. East/West, in first were Kelly Metcalf and Jim Aikman with 62 per cent followed in second by Jacqueline Metcalf and Mike Collins with 56 per cent.

December 12 bid euchre at Stanhope: Muriel Harrington, Sharon Evans, Peter Farr, Bill Milford, Barb Robitaille, Milton Fletcher and Marcel Roussel all won moonshots with Bob McConnell and Rob Evans winning twice. Helen Henderson won the 50/50 draw. High pinks were Jane Swick 300, Verna Sawyer 271 and Kay Orr 244. High whites were Bob McConnell 291, Milton Fletcher 266 and Bill Milford 258. Gala Stamp wishes to remind the group of the special evening on December 19 with Christmas supper at 6 o'clock followed by cards at 7.

December 12 euchre at Kinmount: Dorothy McElwain won the high ladies with Glenda Swanton second. Low lady was Sherry Morrison. Jim Corbett was high man, followed by Truman McNeil in second. Mildred St. Thomas was "low man," and Nora Swinson won the lone hand. Isa Hilyer and Nora Swinson were the winners in "share the wealth."

December 13 Legion Branch 636 euchre: Most lone hands (ladies) Margaret Fletcher; most lone hands (men) Esther Lee; High score (ladies) Georgina Parkes; High score (men) Marcel Roussel; low (lady) Vi Edgson; low (man) Ed Hisson. Other prizes: Bess Cox, Norm Lee, Elva Paisley and Tom Orr. The draws for \$100 in groceries were won by Marie Dennie with ticket number 639 and Olive Meyers with ticket number 019.

Thanks to all of the score reporters for their enthusiasm, patience, and willingness to educate me on just what is a "moonshot." It will get easier as terms and names become familiar.

Maybe Santa will put a euchre manual in my stocking.

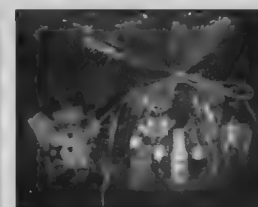
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A SINCERE THANKS to all who assisted us in our car accident, December 10, on Hwy. 35, near Buckside Road. I'm overwhelmed by the compassion shown in our time of need. There truly are angels on earth. With love and light, Claudette, Sage and River.

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THANK YOU FRIENDS for your love, prayers, cards, gifts, visits and offers of help, after my surgery. It is nice to know so many care. God bless you all, **Lorna Roland.**

450 IN MEMORIAM

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460 OBITUARIES

David LaFerté THEOBALD At the Peterborough Regional Health Centre, Palliative Care Unit, on Monday, December 10, 2001.

David Theobald, 67, of R.R. #1, Kinmount. Loving husband of 46 years to Ruth (Pearson). Dear father of Stephen and his wife Karen, Julie and her husband Randy McIlmoyle, Lori Karas and friend Don Chaput, Catherine and her husband David Maher, Jennifer and her husband Joe McGillis. Grandpa will be missed by Joey and Sarah Theobald; Jonathan and Ben McIlmoyle; Kyle, Matt and Alex Karas, Sam and Nick Maher; Mitchell and Andy McGillis. Brother of Jacqueline and husband Ben McIlmoyle of Sudbury. Uncle Dave was loved and respected by his family and by his many friends. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden, K0M 2K0 (1-888-588-5777) from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. on Tuesday. Then to St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Kinmount for Mass of Christian Burial on Wednesday, December 12th, 2001 at 11 a.m. Interment at St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family.

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460 OBITUARIES

ROY (ALFRED) McDONALD World War II Veteran, Retired O.P.P., and Member of Branch 636 Minden Legion, passed away peacefully at his home in Minden, on December 10, 2001, in his 81st year.

He leaves behind his beloved wife of 55 years, Verna (nee Pugh). Loving father of Carol Moffat Hill (Don), Brian (Sandy), Roger (Liz), and Marilyn Longfield (Howe). Proud grandfather of Kim McCabe and daughter Alyshia, Kelly Sears and son Joshua, Glen (Trish) and daughter Gail, Wayne (Becky) and daughter Avery, Carrie and Connie, Jayme and Jodie Longfield, and Rachel and Sara Hill. Brother of Earl (Minden), Al, Betty, Mickey and Lena (British Columbia). Predeceased by brother Floyd, son-in-law David Moffat and grandson-in-law Ronald Sears. Roy will be sadly missed by his family and friends. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden K0M 2K0 (1-888-588-5777) from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. on Thursday. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Friday, December 13, 2001 at 11 a.m. Interment at Minden Cemetery. Reception followed at the Minden Legion Branch 636. Legion Service on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Memorial donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund or to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636, Minden, would be appreciated by the family.

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SMITH, JOYCE EDWINA: Passed away peacefully on Thurs., December 13, 2001, in Haliburton, at the age of 77 years. Joyce was a loving mother to her children David, Malcolm, Beverly Matysek and her husband Joachim, Michael and Shelley. Joyce will be fondly remembered by her fourteen grandchildren including Katrina, Krista, Kerry, Courtney and will be sadly missed by her friends and relatives. A Celebration of Joyce's Life will be held at the Carrying Place Golf and Country Club in Kettleby on Saturday, December 22, 2001 from 12 o'clock noon until 3:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate that a donation be made to the Canadian Arthritis Society and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden K0M 2K0 (1-888-588-5777).

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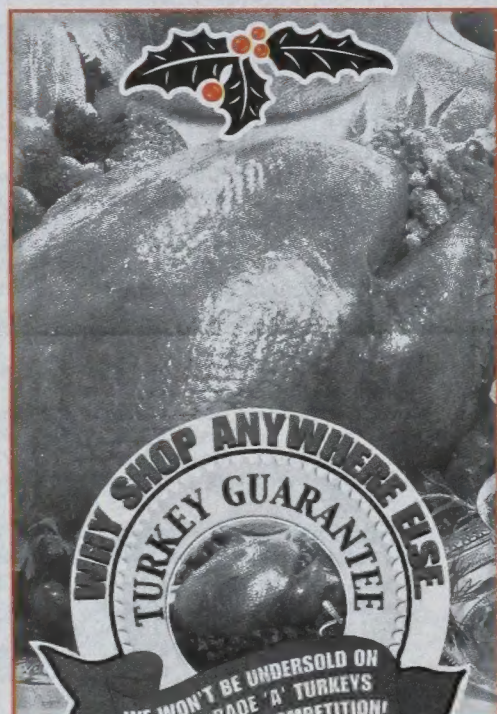
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